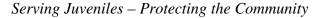


## **Division of Community Services**

# Interstate Compact for Juveniles





### Many States, One System

The South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) is the state agency responsible for providing rehabilitation and custodial care for the state's juveniles who are on probation, incarcerated, or on parole, as a result of having been adjudicated delinquent for a criminal or status offense.

While a vast majority of the juveniles under DJJ's supervision are South Carolina residents and reside in the state, some juveniles will cross state lines for various reasons such as moving with their parents/guardians, traveling, and a few may leave their home state without permission. To handle these situations DJJ participates in the Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ).

ICJ is a legal agreement between 49\* states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Virgin Islands that regulates the interstate movement of children who:

- Have run away from home and left their state of residence without permission;
- Are under court supervision on probation, parole, and have absconded to another state;
- Have been accused of an offense in another state:
- Are in need of institutionalization or special services in another state; and/or
- > Require probation/parole supervision services when they relocate to another state.

\*Georgia does not currently participate in ICJ, and coordinates juvenile movement and supervision with SC under a Memorandum of Agreement.

DJJ has been a part of ICJ for many years adopting the new Interstate Compact for Juveniles law which was enacted nationally in 2008, replacing the original 1955 compact. Working through the agency's ICJ Commissioner/Coordinator, DJJ staff complete the standardized ICJ paperwork and follow compact procedures to ensure the proper supervision of juveniles across state lines, coordinating their transport or return to the home state, and if necessary their detention.

#### **ICJ's Benefits**

The compact is overseen by the national Interstate Commission for Juveniles. Its goals are to preserve child welfare and promote public safety, victim's rights, enhanced juvenile accountability and safety, and enforcement of protocols and communication among commission members. This collaborative effort makes for a very efficient system of managing these cases.

ICJ strengths are that it opens communication between participating states and establishes a uniform system of data collection and forms pertaining to a juvenile's movement and supervision across state lines. This consistency ensures that solicitors, judges, and other juvenile justice professionals involved in the process are all on the same page with regards to compact operations when working with these juveniles. The individual members work cooperatively in the administration and management of the program.

More information on the Interstate Commission for Juveniles can be found at http://www.juvenilecompact.org/



# For more information please contact your local DJJ County Office (full listing on back) or:

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For additional DJJ resources please visit our website: http://www.state.sc.us/dij/

The South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age.

THE FOLLOWING OFFICES HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED TO HANDLE INQUIRIES REGARDING THE NONDISCRIMINATON POLICIES:

Title IX –Inspector General's Office – 803-896-9595, Title II & 504 – Special Education Office – 803-896-8484

# **DJJ County Office Directory**

Abbeville County	Darlington County	Lee County
864-366-5312	843-393-5641	803-484-4550
Aiken County	Dillon County	Lexington County
803-641-7735	843-774-4147	803-359-5526
Allendale County	Dorchester County	Marion County
803-584-4751	843-832-4265	843-431-1110
Anderson County	Fairfield County	Marlboro County
864-260-4041	803-712-6533	843-479-2961
Barnwell County	Florence County	Newberry County
803-259-7114	843-665-3080	803-276-8243
Bamberg County	Greenville County	Oconee County
803-245-5184	864-467-5875	864-638-9537
Beaufort County	Greenwood County	Orangeburg County
843-525-1351	864-229-6648	803-533-6270
Berkeley County	Georgetown County	Pickens County
843-761-8194	843-546-8723	864-878-7560
Charleston County	Hampton County	Richland County
843-740-1649	803-943-4296	803-253-4050
Cherokee County	Horry County	Spartanburg County
864-487-2564	843-915-8969	864-562-4200
Chester County	Jasper County	Sumter County
803-377-8104	843-726-5666	803-778-2368
Chesterfield County	Kershaw County	Union County
843-623-2378	803-432-9171	864-429-1640
Clarendon County	Lancaster County	Williamsburg County
803-435-8587	803-285-9447	843-355-2772
Colleton County	Laurens County	York County
843-549-1509	864-984-2518	803-909-7500

Tri-Counties (Edgefield, McCormick, Saluda) 864-445-8138

The South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) is the state cabinet agency responsible for providing custodial care and rehabilitation for the state's children who are incarcerated, on probation or parole, or in community placement for a criminal or status offense. Our mission is to protect the public and reclaim juveniles through prevention, community services, education, and rehabilitative services in the least restrictive environment.